

family to Toronto, where he resided comfortably in his own home. He was a Methodist, a Liberal in politics, and probably the oldest surveyor in the country. He died on September 19th, 1912, in the ninety-first year of his age, and was buried in the family burial plot in Mount Pleasant Cemetery in Toronto.

ANDREW BELL

was born on December 21st, 1835, at Toronto. His father was the Reverend William Bell, a Presbyterian minister, and his mother was the eldest daughter of the late Colonel E. W. Thomson, of Toronto. Andrew Bell was educated at Queen's University, from which he graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1853. He obtained his commission to practise as a land surveyor on the 14th of October, 1866. Mr. Bell's practice was of a varied nature, comprising surveying, engineering and architecture. He was a member of both the American and Canadian Societies of Civil Engineers, a member of the Ontario Association of Architects, and also a Dominion Land Surveyor. He was engaged on several public engineering works in Eastern Ontario, among which were the construction of the Brockville and Ottawa Railway, the Brockville and Smith's Falls Railway, the Carillon Canal Dam, the Grenville Canal, the railway line from Sand Point to Pembroke, the construction of the Rosamond Woollen Mills and the Cornwall Woollen Mills, the court house at La Chute, the town hall at Arnprior, and the post offices at Almonte and Carleton Place. In September, 1858, Mr. Bell married Miss Rosamond, eldest daughter of James Rosamond. The last few years of his life Mr. Bell was engaged in surveying in Northern Ontario for the Ontario Government, and it was while engaged in the field during the past season that Mr. Bell contracted an illness from which he never recovered. He died at his home, "The Maples," in Almonte, on Tuesday, October 12th, 1912. Mr. Bell was a Conservative in politics, but not an extremist in any matter. He was a wide reader of books and always kept well informed on current topics. He lived a very busy life and was courteous and affable to all, either in social or business life.

WILLIAM ALBERT BROWNE.

One of the best known land surveyors in Ontario passed away on July 29th, 1912, in the person of William Albert Browne, at the age of sixty-eight years. Mr. Browne was born in England in 1843 and was a son of the late J. O. Browne, who was also a surveyor, and came to Canada from England in 1849. The late Mr. Browne was educated at Upper Canada College and, after securing his

commission as a land surveyor, spent thirty-seven years of his professional life in Toronto; the remaining eight years, when a young man, were devoted to engineering and surveying in Thunder Bay District. Mr. Browne received his commission as land surveyor in 1876 and was a member of the well-known firm of Unwin, Browne & Sankey. He was a veteran of the war of 1866 and was for thirty years previous to his death connected with St. Stephen's Church, in the City of Toronto, in which he was an ardent worker, and his loss will be greatly felt in the community in general in which he was associated.

HENRY OSBORNE WOOD.

Henry Osborne Wood, O.L.S., was a descendant of one of three brothers who emigrated to America from England in early colonial times. Of the three branches of the Wood family which springs from this source, one is at present in the Eastern Townships, one in Ontario, and the other still in the United States. At the outbreak of the Revolution the ancestors of those at present in Canada espoused the royal cause and took an active part in support of the king's prerogative during the war, and being obliged in consequence abandoned their property and left their former homes in New Jersey after the recognition of American independence. His great grandfather, Jonas Wood, was a man of prominence in his old home, having been captured in arms by the continental troops, was held in durance for a length of time after the declaration of peace before being released, after which he immediately came to Canada and was one of the few who located on the present site of Cornwall, Ontario, prior to the arrival of the main column of United Empire Loyalists under Sir John Johnston.

Mr. H. O. Wood was born in Cornwall on the 30th of December, 1827. His father was Leonard Wood (grandson of Jonas Wood) and his mother Margaret Cook, a descendant of another U. E. Loyalist family, of the vicinity of Cornwall, where both were born. Mr. Wood afterwards moved from Cornwall with his father to the Township of Osgoode, and in 1853 he again moved to the Township of Gloucester, County of Carleton, where he resided up to the year 1901.

Mr. Wood's first surveying was with the late George Bruce, O.L.S., and in 1852 he signed articles as an apprentice with the late Robert Bell, O.L.S. After serving three years with Mr. Bell he received his commission as a surveyor on the 10th of October, 1855. From 1856 to 1871 he was engaged by the Ontario Government in the surveys of the Township of Brudnell, part of the Town-